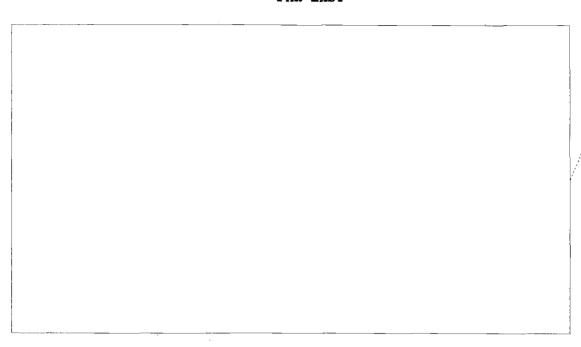
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Chinese and North Korean jets seen continuing to avoid combat: The "usual pattern" of both Chinese Communist and North Korean aerial operations over Korea during the past three months has been to avoid combat. Evidence that this will continue, at least for the immediate future, is found in enemy ground-to-air transmissions ordering non-Soviet flights to avoid combat.

While the North Koreans did not become aggressive during the period, the Chinese on two occasions sought to engage UN aircraft. The first took place over a four-day period in late June, but was cut short by the Chinese GCI net's loss of power resulting from the bombing of the Yalu River power plants. The latest flurry of activity, from 27 July to 8 August, has decreased markedly, in part due to excessive enemy aircraft losses. (CANOE 6920 Security Grp Johnson AFB Japan, SG 462, 16 Aug 52)

North Korean supply officers to confer on current problems: The principal supply officer of the North Korean II Corps, which is in immediate reserve on the east coast, on 14 August instructed his subordinate divisional supply officers to report on a wide variety of non-combat activities by 16 August. Apparently these reports are required

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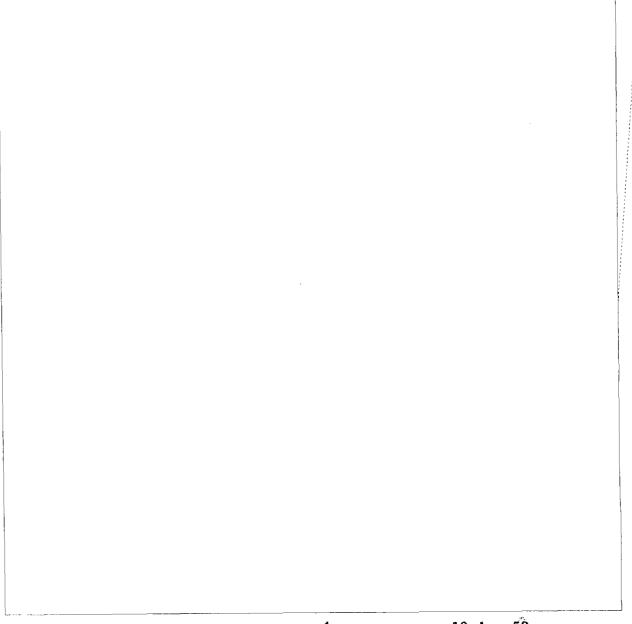
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for a meeting on logistics "which is to be held at the Supreme Headquarters." (CANOE 330th Comm Recon Co Korea, ALT-753, 17 Aug 52)

Comment: The nature of the reports required by the II Corps Supply Chief provide no indication of any change in the enemy's present static defense position.



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